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Joseph Riant

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Lot 19 in No 8023

conveyed to grantee
Apr 6 1841

No. 4105

State of Maine

Land Office,

Augusta March 13, 1840.

I Herely certify, that Joseph Niant of Farmington in the county of Franklin, by declaration sworn to on the sixth day of September, A. D. 1838 (See Claim No 780) and other accompanying evidence has satisfactorily proved his claim to the benefits of a "Resolve in favor of certain officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary war and the widows of deceased officers and soldiers" approved March 17, 1835, and that "The Lawful Holder" of this certificate is entitled, under the provisions of a Resolve additional to said Resolve approved March 23, 1838, to Two Hundred Acres of Land.

Reuben White, Land Agent of Maine.

Joseph Riant 780
 of Fannington
 Sept 6, 1838 -
 Resolved March 17, 1835
 & March 23, 1838

Recd Oct 5, 1838

Admitted and
 Certificate No 4105 issued
 March 13, 1840.
 March 14, 1840. Received of the
 Land Agent the above Certificate
 Enattud Buntlett

Geo. W. Morton

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name the day and year first above mentioned.

to be his free act and deed.

STATE OF VERMONT.

IN PRESENCE OF

ALBANY, N.Y.

RECEIVED AND DELIVERED

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name the day and year first above mentioned.

and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the preceding declaration

was made, do hereby constitute and appoint ROBERT C. MOSE, of Augusta, my true and lawful

Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate

as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a

Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the

deceased Officers and Soldiers, to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is

authorized to execute and deliver the same, and to do all such other acts and things as may be necessary

to give effect to the foregoing declaration, and to do all such other acts and things as may be necessary

I Joseph Bryant of Farmington in the County of
Franklin a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United
States do depose & say that I am an applicant
for the benefit of the several Pensions & of the
the legislation of said States granted lands for service
in the Revolutionary Army. and in order to amend
a declaration made by me in order to obtain
the land do hereby further depose & say that for
any service as a Soldier in the Revolution I never
have received of the United States or any State
of the Union any land whatever.

Joseph Bryant

State of Maine
County of Franklin

Subscribed & sworn to at ~~Franklin~~ ~~1840~~ 1840.

Before me

Geo. W. Foster Justice of Peace

before the undersigned Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared
the said Joseph Bryant, who acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by him signed,
and he is known to me on this

I Joseph Knight of Farmington in the County of Franklin and State of Maine, aged seventy six years, do, upon oath, declare in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," that I enlisted ^{and obtained a discharge approved March 23, 1838} in Month of Jan'y 1776 for one year into Capt Barnes's company and Colonel Jackson's regiment of the Massachusetts line and was discharged in Jan'y 1777. and in March 1778 he enlisted into Capt Livermore's company and Colonel Dearborn's regiment and was discharged in May 1780 of the New Hampshire line. the above service being more than three years. that he is now a pensioner of the U. States under law of June 7, 1832.

I do further on oath declare that at the time of my said enlistment, I was an inhabitant of

Thomton, New Hampshire

and was on the 17th day of March, 1835, have been ever since, and am now an inhabitant of the State of Maine, residing in Farmington aforesaid, where I have resided for

40 years past. That neither I, nor any one claiming under me, has ever received a grant of Land, or money in lieu thereof from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for my said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary War, and that I am justly entitled to the benefit of said Resolve.

Joseph Knight

STATE OF MAINE.

Kenneth ss.....Subscribed and sworn to this 14th day of September 1838
BEFORE ME,

Wm. W. Knight

Justice of the Peace.

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Know all Men by these Presents, That I

Joseph Rioux of *Hannington* in the County of *Franklin* and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the preceding declaration was made, do hereby constitute and appoint ~~ROBERT C. VOSE~~ ^{*Robert C. Vose*} of AUGUSTA, my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," ^{*and additional Resolves approved March 27, 1835*} to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate, for me in my name, to execute such receipt or acknowledgement therefor, as I might, were I personally present.

HEREBY ratifying and confirming whatever my Attorney shall do by virtue hereof, Witness my hand and seal this *5th* day of *September* A. D. 183 *8*

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

IN PRESENCE OF

Robert C. Vose
being sworn & "Groom"
inserted before executed

Joseph Rioux

Wm Nolet

STATE OF MAINE.

Wm Nolet ss.

Be it Known, that on this *5th* day of *September* 183 *8*, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Joseph Rioux* above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by him signed, to be his free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name the day and year last above mentioned.

Wm Nolet

Justice of the Peace.

Joseph Riant

I hereby certify, That the accompanying pages numbered
from 1 to 5 inclusive are truly copied from the originals
in the Office of the Commissioner of Pensions, Department
of War.

Rexin Orme is employed in copying papers for the State of Maine,
and his certificates are entitled to credit

J. L. Edwards
Commissioner of Pensions.

Be it remembered, That James L. Edwards, who has signed
this certificate, is Commissioner of Pensions; and that to
this certificate full faith and credit are and ought to be given.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto
subscribed my name, and caused the seal
of the Department to be affixed, on
this 13th day of April
in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and thirty nine

J. R. Smith
Secretary of War.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Seal

To the Honorable the Secretary of the Department
of War of the United States.

I the subscriber, being Chief Justice of
the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the Second Eastern
Circuit of Massachusetts, embracing the Counties of Lincoln,
Kennebec and Somerset, do hereby certify to your Honor, that
Joseph Ricant, a citizen of the United States, now resident in
Farmington, in the said County of Kennebec, in the District of
Maine, on the sixteenth day of April, A. D. 1818, made applica-
-tion to me to receive his declaration under oath, and such
other evidence, as was in his power to produce, and to trans-
-mit the same, and the proceedings had thereon, to your Honor,
that he might be placed on the Pension List of the United
States, agreeably to the provisions of an act entitled "An act
to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval
service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War," passed
March 18, A. D. 1818, which declaration, and the other evidence
produced by the said applicant, is herewith annexed.

And I do further certify to your Honor, that after
a full examination of the said applicant, and a careful con-
-sideration of the evidence in the case, it appears to me that
the said applicant did serve as a private Soldier, in the war
of the Revolution, against the common enemy, upon the Con-
-tinental Establishment, for more than nine months, as
stated in his declaration aforesaid; and from his reduced
circumstances, he needs the assistance of his country for support,
In testimony whereof, I have herewith set my hand and
caused the Seal of the Court in which I preside, to be herewith
affixed, this twenty second day of May in the Year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

Nathan Weston Jun^r Chief Just,
C. C. C. Pleas 2^d E. Circuit

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Kennebec, Jr.

The subscriber, Clerk of all the Judicial Courts, held within the said County of Kennebec, hereby certifies, that the Honorable Nathan Weston, Junior, Esquire, before whom the annexed proceedings were held, is Chief Justice of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the second Eastern Circuit of Massachusetts, embracing the Counties of Lincoln, Kennebec and Somerset, and that by the direction of the said Judge, I have affixed unto his certificate bearing his Signature, the seal of the said Court in which he presides.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand dated at Augusta, in said County of Kennebec, the tenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

John Davis

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
I Joseph Riant a citizen of the United States, aged fifty nine years, born in East Haddam in the State of Connecticut, but now of Farmington in the District of Maine, upon oath testify and declare, that I enlisted into the War of the Revolution, against the common enemy, upon the Continental Establishment, in January 1776, for the period of one year, in Capt. Asa Barnes's Company and Col. Jackson's Regiment, of the Massachusetts troops or line. This period I fully served out, and was verbally discharged from the Army at Fish Kill in the State of New York, the first of the month of January 1777. In March 1778, I again enlisted in the same service, and upon the same Establishment, for the remainder of the three years, called the three years service, in Capt. Daniel Linnover's Company and Lieut. Col. Dearborn's Regiment of the New Hampshire line or troops, and served therein until the month of May 1780, and then took my final and honorable discharge, from the Army at West Point. My discharge is lost, and is not to my knowledge at this time in existence. I was at the Battle, with the Indians, at Newtown, under General Sullivan

From my reduced circumstances in life, I am in need of assistance from my Country for support. I do hereby relinquish, all claim of every pension heretofore allowed me, by the laws of the United States, if any, but I am not to my knowledge borne on any pension list whatever. I request that I may be placed on the pension list for the District of Maine.

Joseph Riant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Kennebec, Jr.

On the fifteenth day of April A. D. 1818,
Joseph Riant above named after having been carefully examined, made oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration by him subscribed - Before me,

Nathan Weston Junr. Chief Justice C. Court C. Pleas,
Second Eastern Circuit.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
I Bradley Richards of Augusta Maine, late an Ensign in the Regiment commanded by Lt. Col. Dearborn, during the Revolutionary War, upon oath testify and declare that I fully believe the Statement above made by Joseph Riant of his last service, as I belonged to the Army at the same period, and same Regiment.

Bradley Richards

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Kennebec, Jr. On the fifteenth day of April A. D. 1818
Bradley Richards above named, after having been carefully examined, made oath to the truth of the foregoing deposition by him subscribed, Before me.

Nathan Weston Junr. Chief Justice C. Court Com Pleas,

Second Eastern Circuit

I, William Rowe, at present of Dearborn, County of Kennebec and District of Maine, a pensioner under the late law of Congress, and now on the Maine Roll, do upon oath testify and declare, that I well knew Joseph Riant, a Continental in the War of the Revolution, to my knowledge he served as he has within stated, as I belonged

to the same company and Regiment with him, and well knew
of his service
William Rowe

Kennebec County Js, July 8th 1819 William Rowe above
named personally appeared, and made oath to the truth of the
above deposition by him subscribed, and I further certify that the
said Rowe is to me well known, and he is in my opinion a
credible witness.
Robert. C. Rose, Justice of the Peace

Robert C. Rose Esq. is a Justice of the Peace for the County of Kennebec,
and the said deponent is in my opinion a credible witness and
disinterested.
Nathan Weston Jun. C. Just. C. C. C. Peas,

I, John Blough of lawful age, do testify and say, that I was
acquainted with Joseph Ryant a Continental Soldier, in the Revo-
lutionary War, belonging to Captain Daniel Livermore's Company
of New Hampshire the Third Regiment, commanded by Colonel
Scammell or Cammel's Regiment, I also do testify and say
that I knew the said Joseph Ryant, when he belonged to the afore-
said company and Regiment, when we were encamped at Reading,
and likewise I was well acquainted with the said Joseph Ryant,
when we marched up the Susquehanna River, headed by General
John Sullivan, also knew him, when we returned and encamped
at Danbury, after this, I was detached from the Regiment, and
went to White Plains, afterwards returned to West Point, and
there made inquiry for the said Joseph Ryant, and was informed
that he was discharged, and gone home, the whole time that
I knew the said Joseph Ryant to be in the Revolutionary service
was two years. I also testify that all the time that I knew
the said ^{Ryant} Regiment, I never heard any complaint, but that he
was a good faithful Soldier, and further your deponent saith
not any thing.
John Blough

Somerset, Js, Then the above named John Blough person-
ally, made oath to the truth of the above affidavit, by him subscribed, Dated
at Phillips this eleventh day of May in the year of our Lord, one thousand
eight hundred and nineteen. Before me, A. D. Young, Justice of the Peace

A. D. Young Esq is a Justice of the Peace, for the County of Somer-
set, and the within deponent, is in my opinion a credible and
disinterested witness.

Nathan Weston Jun. C. Just. C. C. C. Peas,

We the subscribers Selectmen of Farmington, do hereby cer-
tify, that in our opinion Mr Joseph Ryant of this Town, is
intitled to a pension, as a Soldier in the Continental Estab-
lishment of the Revolutionary War, by the late act of
Congress providing for such. April 21st 1818

N.B. He has thirteen children living, and an infirm man
himself.

Joseph Fairbank
Thomas Parker
Benjamin Butlup